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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Please cancel claims 2, 4, 5 and 35-38 before calculating the filing fee for this application.

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SUCTION RING WITH APPLANATOR AND GUIDED ENGAGEMENT  
WITH KERATOME CUTTER HEAD, AUTOMATED TRANSLATION  
OF THE CUTTER HEAD, AND BLADE INSERTION TOOL  
the specification of which is attached hereto.

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